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BRITISH WATERED AS GERMANS ATTACKED

Teutons Preceded Their Movements With the Usual Heavy Bombardments

CAPTURED FIRST LINE TRENCHES FOR 500 YARDS

British Claim Part of the Positions Were Retaken in a Counter-Attack—Around Verdun the French Have Recaptured Points of Vantage Southwest of Haucourt—Bombardments Are Again Taking Place in the Vicinity of Dead Man Hill—On the Russian Front There Has Been Considerable Infantry Fighting Without Result—Petrograd Reports Progress of Russians Fighting Against Turks in the Persian Front, With Bagdad as Their Objective.

Switching their attack from the Verdun region against the French, the Germans have begun again a sharp offensive against the British line around Haubourville. Preceding their movements with the usual heavy bombardments the Germans launched an infantry attack against the British line in the region of Vermelles and were successful in capturing first line trenches over a front of about 1,000 yards. The British admit the loss of the positions, but say that part of them were retaken in a counter-attack.

Berlin declares that in their defense of the trenches, an especially later in the counter-attack, the British suffered heavy casualties. The British lost ten men made prisoners and several machine guns captured.

Around Verdun the French on the left bank of the Meuse have recaptured points of vantage previously taken from them southwest of Haucourt by the Germans. Bombardments are again taking place in the vicinity of Lemort Homme and Cumieres and against the French line on the right bank of the Meuse between the Haumont Wood and Vaux. A German attack

southwest of Fort Daumont was repulsed.

Considerable infantry fighting, which as yet has been without result, is in progress on the British front. Petrograd reports that German attacks at several points here and farther south have been repulsed.

In the Austro-Italian theater intense artillery actions are ensuing in the Alpine region. The Italians have put down two Austrian attempts to attack against captured positions at Mount Cukla.

Petrograd reports further progress for the Russians fighting against the Turks near the Persian frontier, with the Russian line held. The Russians attempted to take the offensive, but Petrograd says the movement was repulsed. Further north, near Chikla, which is situated some fifty miles west of Erzerum, the Russians claim to have made further progress.

This, however, is at variance with the claims of Constantinople, which says that the Russians are still in positions at Mount Kope, west of Erzerum, are making every effort to maintain themselves in new positions.

OWNERS MOVE TO RECOVER PRIZE SHIP APPAM.

Vessel Now in Possession of Federal Court at Norfolk, Va.

Norfolk, Va., May 12.—British owners of the German prize ship Appam began their effort to recover possession of the vessel in federal court here today with the submission of a letter from Secretary Lansing to the German ambassador at Washington expressing the opinion that the Appam did not fall under the protesting clauses of the Prussian-American treaty.

The secretary's letter holding to a view opposite to that which it had been understood was entertained by the state department was admitted by Judge Waddell over the protest of attorneys for the German government and Lieutenant Hans Berg, the prize commander, joint defendants in the owners' libel suit.

Preliminary briefs have indicated that the German case would be built largely on the prize provisions of the treaty in the letter. Three officers of the Appam's British crew, her master, first officer and chief engineer, testified at today's hearing as to the ship's position when captured by the raider Moewe, the placing of bombs about the vessel by the prize crew, the destruction and the removal of bullion from her cargo.

GERMAN MINISTER OF INTERIOR MUST RESIGN.

Emperor William and Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg So Decide.

Amsterdam, via London, May 12, 1916. p. m.—Emperor William and Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg have decided that the German minister of the interior and vice chancellor must resign, says a Berlin dispatch to the Frankfurter Zeitung. Minister Deubrock has been reported ill during the past few days, but the real trouble, the dispatch says, is dissatisfaction with German policy. Count George von Hertling, the Bavarian prime minister, is regarded as the probable successor to Minister Deubrock.

A Berlin official statement on May 9 said that Minister Deubrock had not yet completely recovered from an attack of sickness and had been obliged to discontinue work for the present.

CONCEALED AND SOLD MORTGAGED PROPERTY

Nicola Caruso of Bridgeport Fined \$400 in Police Court.

New Haven, Conn., May 12.—Nicola Caruso of Bridgeport was fined \$400 and costs and sentenced to serve ten days in jail by Judge George E. Hall in the police court today for unlawfully concealing and selling mortgaged property. Caruso was in business here, but some time ago it was charged that he had sold the property to local men.

The penalty is said to be the heaviest inflicted in the local court in several years.

STEAMER'S REMARKABLE TRIP AROUND THE WORLD

Not a Single Stormy Day or a Single Case of Illness.

Boston, May 12.—Not a single day of stormy weather or a single case of illness on board in a trip around the world, the record shown on the logbook of the Norwegian steamer Wagnan, which arrived from New Zealand at Bridgeport three days ago, was the Wagnan left New York last November.

Cabled Paragraphs

Two More Irish...
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this morning for...
rebellion.

Reorganization of Decayed Women

the Atlantic Fleet By Marriage Ads

Condensed Telegrams

Five thousand ironworkers in New York City went on strike.

The strike of marine engineers in New York harbor has been settled.

April production of the Kennecott Copper Corporation to 10,500,000 pounds.

Two earthquakes were recorded on the seismograph of Georgetown university.

Many stores in New York city will be closed all day today, "Preparedness Day."

Fire destroyed the Flagler Hospital, St. Augustine, Fla. The patients were all saved.

Serbia has purchased a second destroyer as well as a transport, for the new Serbian fleet.

Resolutions opposing "the spirit of conscription" were adopted by the British Miners' Federation.

Three thousand babies paraded in New York city, as part of the celebration of "Better Babies Week."

Within six months all horse cars in use in New York city will be replaced by storage battery cars.

China has added her protest to that of Japan regarding exclusion clauses in the proposed new immigration law.

Gold coin to the amount of \$200,000 was withdrawn from the New York Sub-Treasury for shipment to Cuba.

About 5,000 employees of the Colorado Iron & Fuel Co. at Pueblo, Col., have been granted an increase in wages.

The Socialist Liepsier Volks-Zeitung has been suppressed for a week for a libelous attack on the German government.

Germany is reported to have ordered reindeer, goats, storks, crows, mice and sparrows to be killed for food.

Mrs. Charles J. C. Ackert, 85 years old, died at her home at New Falls, N. Y. She was owner and editor of the New Falls Times.

Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, Sr., is going to march in the preparedness parade in the division headed by Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr.

An embargo on all grain shipments to Baltimore-Locust Point elevators has been placed in operation by the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

Secretary Lansing branded as "utterly false" reports that the administration was under way or contemplated peace overtures to Germany.

All the employees of the Bamford Silk Mill at Slaters, N. J., went on strike, demanding a nine hour day, and a half holiday on Saturday.

The weekly statement of the Bank of France shows a decrease of 95,372,000 francs in gold holdings, and a decrease in silver of 2,643,000 francs.

Three Socialists convicted of having advised workers at Glasgow to strike last March were sentenced to prison, two for a year each, and one for 18 months.

The Merchants and Miners' steamer Berkshire, Newport News for Baltimore, was grounded on a rock, after she had collided with a barge in Hampton Roads.

Judge John W. E. Westcott, of Camden, N. J., who nominated Woodrow Wilson at the Baltimore convention, is expected to make something at the St. Louis convention.

A double guard was placed about the Agricultural building in Washington following the receipt of a second letter by Washington newspapers warning that the building was to be blown up.

The Rev. Irwin B. Ritter, president of the Allentown, Pa., conference of the Lutheran church, died at Allentown from a stroke of paralysis suffered last Sunday while cranking his automobile.

Luke Meekins, of Philadelphia, father of 8-year-old son, Joseph, whose body was found in a West Philadelphia meadow, was cleared of suspicion of the murder on his son and released from jail.

Three German officers and 32 soldiers all Socialists are reported to have been executed for distributing in the trenches a pamphlet concerning the second German peace conference at Zimmerwald.

Nicholas Papp was shot and killed by his young wife at a factory at Bridgeport, Conn., after he had refused to give up gambling associates.

William A. Gardner, president of the Chicago & Northwestern Railway, died at his summer home at Wannabeach, Mass.

The students of the University of Vermont of Burlington turned laborers when they began the laying out of a new athletic field.

A British fleet of 53 warships, ranging from submarines to superdreadnoughts, was passed in the North Sea by the Norwegian steamer Silstad.

Peter Smirnov, who confessed that he shot and killed Mrs. Diana Geoffrey of Fall River at the Hotel at New Bedford on the night of April 1, died at a hospital yesterday.

Practically all the freight handlers employed in New Bedford at the New York boat line docks struck for increased wages.

The 500 employees of the Middlesex & Boston Street Railway sent to the management demands for a wage advance of 19 to 25 per cent.

Reorganization of Decayed Women the Atlantic Fleet By Marriage Ads

SIX OF THE OLDER BATTLESHIPS PLACED IN RESERVE.

16 SHIPS IN FIRST LINE THEN MURDERED THEM

About 4,200 Men Will Be Made Available for Service on Six Destroyers and the New Dreadnoughts—Re-serve Ships for Use of Naval Militia.

A Modern Bluebird in the Village of Cinkla, Hungary—Lived With Eighteen Women, Eight of Whom Are Dead and Ten Missing.

Washington, May 12.—Reorganization of the first line of the Atlantic fleet was ordered today by Secretary Daniels so as to place in the older battleships in reserve and release a large part of their crews to man a destroyer division and the new dreadnoughts Oklahoma and Nevada.

Connecticut Placed in Reserve.

The New Jersey, Virginia, Rhode Island and the Nebraska were ordered to be placed in reserve at the Boston navy yard; the Connecticut at Philadelphia and the Louisiana at Norfolk.

Then repairs have been completed, they will be maintained with their crews reduced sixty per cent, but in shape for active service within 48 hours. The vessels will be in-

cluded in the nine battleships to be used this summer for naval militia and citizen volunteer training crews. All six of the ships are of the old class, the Pennsylvania, the Minnesota, the Vermont, the Michigan, the South Carolina, Delaware, Oklahoma, New York, Texas, Florida, Utah, Arkansas, New Hampshire, Nevada, Kansas and Wyoming.

Working Out Plan for Militia.

With addition of 15,000 men in the navy, proposed in the pending bill, the navy department is endeavoring to work out a plan by which naval militia can be instantly assigned in case of war for duty in manning ships in reserve.

Repairs to the Connecticut.

While at their home yards the Connecticut and Louisiana will have their boilers and shaft bearings repaired.

New York, Texas, Florida, Utah, Arkansas, New Hampshire, Nevada, Kansas and Wyoming.

Monthly Report of Employment Bureaus

Norwich Placed 259 of 335 Applicants—273 Applications for Help.

Hartford, Conn., May 12.—During the month ending April 30, 2073 situations were secured through the five free public employment bureaus in the state, according to a report made public today. There were 3,186 applications for help. Waterbury had 263 applications for employment; 244 calls for help and 158 positions were obtained. In Norwich there were 282 applications for employment, 273 applications for help and 259 situations were obtained.

Movements of Steamships.

London, May 10.—Sailed: Steamer Albatross, New York.

Kirkwall, May 10.—Sailed: Steamer Nieuw Amsterdam, (From Rotterdam) New York.

Liverpool, May 10.—Sailed: Steamer Cedric, New York.

New York, May 12.—Arrived, steamer Kroonland, Liverpool. Sailed, steamer Baltic, Liverpool via Halifax.

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EXPEDITION WILL REMAIN IN MEXICO

General Pershing's Forces Are to Watch Developments Beyond the Border

MOBILIZATION OF GUARDSMEN CONTINUES

If Raiding is Renewed Additional State Troops Will be Called

Out for Border Duty and Whenever the Bandits Leave a Hot Trail the Army Will Not Hesitate to Pursue Them

Into Mexico—No Steps Have Been Taken Toward Renewing Diplomatic Discussion of the Points That Arose During the Military Discussion at El Paso.

Washington, May 12.—Pending news from the president, it was plain at the war department today that General Pershing's expedition would remain in Mexico watching developments beyond the border. Meanwhile mobilization continues of national guardsmen from the border states and of additional state troops will be called out for border duty, and wherever the bandits lead the army will not hesitate to pursue them into Mexico.

As the Mexican population as the scattered chase moved southward which led General Funston to suggest a redistribution of the troops in view of what had been accomplished toward dispersing the bandits.

To Police Wide Territory.

The most advanced post of the expedition is in the region of San Antonio, Mexico, 216 miles south of the border. While the points selected by the general for concentration of his short-term supply line have not been disclosed, it is understood that his troops will be so disposed as to police effectively this group of territory which bandit operations have been most frequent. No move to the south will be made, it is understood, except on definite information that will permit a quick dash to break up a band, and a quick return to base.

Opposition to Withdrawal of Troops.

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Neither Secretary Lansing nor Elihu A. Tamm, Carranza's ambassador, designated took any step during the day toward renewing diplomatic discussion of the points that arose during the military conference.

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